



## Alliance with Cong depends on resolution of public issues: CPI national secy

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HANUMAKONDA

NATIONAL CPI secretary Palla Venkat Reddy on Thursday said the alliance between the Congress and the Communist parties would continue only if the government sincerely addresses public issues. He urged the government to demonstrate its commitment to people-centric governance by issuing pattas and constructing Indiramma houses for the poor of Gundla Singaram.

Reddy, along with CPI State assistant secretary Takkallapalli Srinivasa Rao and MLC Nellikanti Satyam, visited Suravaram Sudhakar Reddy Nagar at Gundla Singaram, where houses

were recently demolished. They inspected the demolished Sudhakar Reddy Bhavan and hundreds of huts, and enquired about their problems.

Addressing a meeting chaired by CPI district assistant secretary Thota Bikshapathi, Reddy demanded the government fulfil the poll promises.

He criticised the government for demolishing the huts after coming to power despite promising an "Indiramma Rajyam". Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy should emulate the welfare-oriented approach of former CM YSR by addressing the concerns of the poor and earning their trust.

He demanded eligible poor

living in huts at Gundla Singaram and across the State be provided pattas and Indiramma houses.

Srinivasa Rao stated that there is no tank buffer land in survey nos 174 and 175 of Gundla Singaram and recalled that during the tenure of YSR, sites were allotted to 1,360 poor in the area. Poor families have been residing there in huts for the past five years following the party's land rights movement.

Satyam assured the issue of allotting pattas to every eligible family in Gundla Singaram would be taken to the CM's notice and raised in the council. He advised the poor to continue struggle until they secure their rightful pattas.



Old Mumbai highway, DLF street



Nallagandla circle

## Rain-battered roads in Cyb'bad give motorists a harrowing time

Damaged roads, hidden potholes and waterlogging leave commuters struggling across Gachibowli, Nallagandla and Tellapur

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WITH the onset of the rainy season, the main roads and internal roads of the colonies within the Cyberabad Municipal Corporation (CMC) area are becoming worse. Due to the intermittent rains, the BT layer has been washed away in many places, resulting in potholes and gravel being exposed.

As rainwater accumulates in the potholes, motorists are unable to estimate their depth, leading to accidents.

In particular, incidents of two-wheeler riders losing control and falling and sustaining serious injuries are increasing day by day. If this is the case now, people are expressing concern that the condition of the city roads is likely to worsen after the heavy rains.

Roads in Serilingampalli zone areas such as Gachibowli, DLF Junction, Nallagandla, Janardhan Reddy flyover, Old MIG Tellapur and the lanes leading to the Old Mumbai National Highway in Cyberabad have been severely damaged.

Employees are facing serious problems due to the formation of potholes on many roads connected to the IT corridor. In the recent light rain, water flowed on the roads in Aminpur and Tellapur



Gachibowli, DLF

areas and gravel came up, increasing the risk of vehicles slipping. Incidents of two-wheelers losing control and falling down due to failure to notice small potholes are frequently reported. The fact that potholes are not visible due to rainwater increases the severity of the accident.

The situation becomes even more dangerous at night. The risk of collision with vehicles coming from behind is also increasing as motorists suddenly change lanes to avoid potholes.

Traffic jams are also increasing due to the poor condition of roads. Employees and students travelling to offices and educational institutions are reaching their destinations late every day. Locals have expressed concern that emergency service vehicles are also being de-

layed due to traffic congestion and damaged roads.

Sandeep kumar, 26, a resident of Gachibowli, said that special attention be paid to the city's main roads and internal roads of colonies before the monsoon season begins in full force. He demanded permanent repairs with quality BT instead of temporarily filling the potholes.

He suggested strict measures be taken to restore the roads with scientific standards after pipeline, cable and other utility works.

Mohan, 32, an auto driver of UBER, said that the roads in DLF Street, Nallagandla Road and near the Janardhan Reddy Flyover are full of potholes and badly damaged. Every day we have to slow down or take detours to avoid accidents, which waste time and fuel.



Janardhan Reddy flyover

Passengers also complain about the bumpy ride, and our vehicles need frequent repairs. We urge the authorities to repair these roads at the earliest to ensure safe and smooth travel for everyone.

An officer of the Serilingampally zone stated that they have taken note of the issues raised by the residents. The departments concerned have been instructed to take up the necessary works, and they will be completed at the earliest.

## BJP appoints Erukala Ganapathi as State Executive member

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ERUKALA Ganapathi from Bhupalpally district has been appointed as a member of the BJP State Executive, announced party's State unit president Ramachandrarao at the BJP state executive meeting held Hyderabad on Thursday.

Ganapathi expressed gratitude to the central ministers G Kishan Reddy, Bandi Sanjay Kumar, Etala



Rajender, Bhupalpally constituency in-charge Keerthy Reddy, senior leaders

Vennampalli Papayya, Ramchandra Reddy, and district president Edunuthula Nishidhar Reddy for trusting him and giving him the opportunity in the state leadership. He joined the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP) in 1999 and led movements on student issues such as fee burdens and hostel facilities. He gained recognition in student activism while serving in roles from town secretary to state executive member.



## New Jagtial-Hyderabad TSRTC bus service launched

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GOOD news for commuters in Jagtial and its surrounding areas. The Telangana State Road Transport Corporation (TSRTC) has launched new Super Luxury bus services connecting Jagtial district headquarters to Kukatpally in Hyderabad.

According to Transport officials, the decision to introduce

these new services was taken keeping in view the growing passenger rush and public demand.

To ensure hassle-free travel, these buses will operate two trips daily from both sides. The schedule is as follows:

From Jagtial to Kukatpally, the first bus will start at 3 am while the second bus leave Jagtial at 3pm.

On the other hand, the first

bus will start for Jagtial from Kukatpally at 9 am and the second one at 9:30 pm.

The grand inaugural event was attended by Jagtial Depot Manager Ramesh, CI Srinivas, and other depot staff. Speaking on the occasion, the officials

urged the public to utilize these newly launched Super Luxury services in large numbers to ensure a safe, secure, and comfortable journey.

## Cong govt days in TG numbered; BRS poised for a comeback: KTR

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BRS Working President KT Rama Rao alleged that the Congress government in Telangana had lost public support and claimed that the party's political future in the state was nearing its end.

Speaking at a special review meeting with BRS leaders from the city at the residence of MLA Talasani Srinivas Yadav in Jubilee Hills, Rama Rao said that even a survey reportedly commissioned by Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy reflected growing public dissatisfaction with the government's performance and leadership after the completion of half of its term.

According to KTR, the survey suggested that if elections were held immediately, the BRS would secure around 78 Assembly seats and return to power. He further claimed that similar findings had emerged from opinion polls conducted by two media organisations as well as assessments by central and state intelligence agencies. KTR asserted that many people expressed a desire to see former Chief Minister K Chandrashekar Rao return to office. KTR alleged that the Chief Minister's recent public statements were a reaction to the negative feedback reflected in these surveys. He accused the Congress government of attempting to divert attention from its administrative failures by levelling allegations on issues such as the Kaleshwaram project and the Rythu Bandhu scheme.

He also claimed that the government had failed to fulfil its election guarantees and promises, leading to widespread disappointment among different sections of society. The BRS leader further stated that public confidence in the Congress government had eroded and claimed that the people were increasingly viewing the BRS as the primary alternative, while showing little interest in other opposition parties.

## Beware! SIR scammers on the prowl with OTP frauds

No OTP, bank details or personal information should be shared with callers claiming to be election officials

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WITH the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR)-2026 of electoral rolls, the District Election Officer and Hyderabad police issued public advisory warning citizens about a rise in fraudulent phone calls made in the name of voter verification.

The advisory warns that fraudsters may impersonate Booth Level Officers (BLOs) or Election Commission officials and attempt to obtain One-Time Passwords (OTPs) from voters under the pretext of updating voter details or verifying names in the electoral roll. DEO RV Karnan has urged citizens not to fall for such scams, clarifying that the Election Commission of India (ECI) and BLOs will never ask voters to share their OTP over phone calls. Citizens have been advised to remain vigilant and refrain from sharing

OTPs, bank account details, or any personal information with unknown callers. The advisory further cautions voters never to share their OTP, bank account details, or any personal information with anyone over phone calls or messages. Citizens have been advised to use OTPs only on official ECI platforms while accessing or verifying voter-related services and never disclose them to any individual.

Hyderabad City police commissioner VC Sajjanar also posted an advisory by stating "Your vote is precious. So is your personal information. Don't let scammers steal your identity in the name of SIR-2026. Remember: No election official will ask for your OTP; never share OTPs or banking details over phone calls, hang up, report suspicious calls to 1930, and spread awareness, and one OTP shared can put your money and personal data at risk.

Authorities advised, in case of receiving such suspicious calls, voters have been advised to immediately disconnect the call, report the incident to the Cyber Crime Helpline 1930 or the nearest police station, and alert family members, friends, and especially senior citizens about the scam, who are often targeted by cyber fraudsters.

The authorities stressed that "One OTP shared can put your bank account and personal information at risk," urging citizens to spread awareness and ensure that their votes and personal data remain secure during the SIR-2026 exercise. Appealing to the public to remain cautious throughout the SIR-2026 process, the authorities are reminding voters that protecting personal information is as important as protecting their right to vote has also urged citizens to widely share the advisory to help protect fellow voters from cyber fraud.

## El Niño effect: Uttam prods babus to come out with contingency plans

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WITH forecasts indicating the possibility of El Niño influencing the current monsoon, Irrigation and Civil Supplies Minister Capt. N Uttam Kumar Reddy on Thursday directed officials to be ready with comprehensive contingency plans to effectively tackle any challenges arising from the weather phenomenon.

Stating that Telangana could not remain immune if El Niño affected the country, the Minister called for seamless coordination among the Irrigation, Agriculture, and Meteorological Departments to minimise risks to agriculture and protect farmers' livelihoods. Chairing

a high-level review meeting on El Niño preparedness at the Secretariat, Uttam Kumar instructed officials to prepare detailed contingency plans at both the State and district levels, taking into account rainfall projections, groundwater availability, reservoir storage, irrigation potential and local cropping patterns. He said every district should be equipped with a clear response strategy to address any adverse impact arising from deficient rainfall or prolonged dry spells.

Following the review meeting, Uttam Kumar Reddy held a video conference with District Collectors and senior officials of the Irrigation, Agriculture and Horticulture Departments, directing them to

immediately initiate district-specific preparedness measures and maintain constant coordination at the field level.

Emphasising scientific crop planning, the Minister advised farmers not to depend exclusively on traditional water-intensive crops wherever water availability was uncertain.

Instead, he directed officials to promote suitable alternative crops based on expected rainfall and available irrigation resources. Gram Sabhas, Rythu Vedikas and field-level extension programmes should be extensively utilised to create awareness among farmers about appropriate cropping choices and climate-resilient farming practices.

Uttam Kumar Reddy also

instructed officials to provide transparent information on reservoir storage and water availability so that farmers could make informed cultivation decisions. Agricultural scientists, he said, should ensure that technical recommendations on crop selection and cultivation practices reach every farmer well in advance of critical sowing decisions.

Reviewing the irrigation scenario, the Minister directed the Irrigation Department to keep all infrastructure ready to efficiently store inflows in the Godavari basin, including the Sripada Yellampalli Reservoir, immediately after substantial rainfall is received in the upstream catchments of Maharashtra and Karnataka.

## Farmers can now book subsidised urea through Mee Seva Kendras

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FARMERS across the state can now book their subsidised urea through MeeSeva Centres. The Telangana government on Thursday decided to facilitate farmers in easily booking urea without any problems and to maintain transparency.

The Commissioner, Electronic Service Delivery (ESD) - MeeSeva said in a statement that to enhance transparency and ensure timely distribution of urea, the state agriculture department has made urea booking service avail-

able through all MeeSeva Kendras across the state.

The decision was taken as farmers who are unable to book urea through the fertiliser booking app can visit their nearest MeeSeva Kendra and book urea with the help of an operator. IT and Industries Minister Duddilla Sridhar Babu will launch the new initiative in collaboration with the agriculture department.

Following the news facility, farmers have to first visit the nearest MeeSeva Kendra with their Pattadar Passbook (PPB) number. The MeeSeva operator will collect the farmer's details

and enter the cultivation area and crop details. Then the farmer will book the required quantity of urea with the fertiliser dealer he has selected. In turn, the Booking ID will be issued immediately after the farmer verifies the OTP sent to the registered mobile number.

However, farmers were informed that the Booking ID obtained through MeeSeva is valid for only 48 hours excluding the date of booking. Upon receiving the booking ID, farmers should contact their selected fertiliser dealer before the booking period ends to purchase urea. The

State Agriculture Department advised farmers to book urea either through the official fertiliser booking app or at MeeSeva Kendras. For this, farmers should ensure that the mobile number linked to their Pattadar Passbook is active so they can receive the OTP. The new facility can be availed by all farmers through MeeSeva at a nominal service fee of just Rs. 10. In case of any queries or assistance, they can contact the nearest Agricultural Extension Officer (AEO), Mandal Agricultural Officer (MAO), or the nearest MeeSeva centre.